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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
DORSET COUNTY
LUNATIC ASYLUMS
CHARMINSTER AND FORSTON,
FOR THE YEAR 1878.



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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
COMMITTEE OF VISITING JUSTICES
OF THE
COUNTY LUNATIC ASYLUMS,
FOR THE YEAR 1878.

The large addition of last year to the number of County Pauper Patients, amounting to 29, happily has not further advanced in the year closing this day. The number of this class now under treatment in the two Asylums is 373, showing a reduction of 4 in the course of the twelvemonth. Of this number, 174 are Males, and 199 are Females. The Admissions have been 62; the number Discharged, 30; the Deaths, 36.

There are 86 Out-County Patients in the Asylums, 33 from the Portsea, 36 from the Southampton, and 17 from the Poole Unions; 9 have been admitted, 14 discharged, and 3 have died; thus reducing the number from 94 to 86 in this class.

The Non-Paupers are 24 as against 23 at this time last year; 7 have been admitted, 5 have been discharged and there has been 1 death.

Of the total number discharged, 6 Men and 20 Women had recovered, and 6 Men and 7 Women were relieved. The percentage of recoveries on the admissions is $33\frac{1}{8}$.

The per-centage of deaths is rather over 8 on the number of inmates, last year it was only $4\frac{3}{4}$, and in the three previous years about 5. The health of the Patients has been generally good, there has been no special or contagious disorder. No death has occurred on which an Inquest has been necessary, and there has been no accident of any importance.

The work, however, of nursing has been more than usually onerous; and this in consequence partly of the poor state of health and partly of the very advanced age at which many of the Patients have been admitted; 2 were above 80 years, 5 above 70, and many above 60. Several Patients have died within a short period from the time of admission, and this accounts for the higher per-centage of deaths on the number under detention as above mentioned.

The Maintenance Rate has been 1s. 2d. per diem, in the first and last quarters, and 1s. 1d. per diem in the two middle quarters of the year.

The Medical Superintendent continues to give the fullest satisfaction to the Visitors, and the Medical Assistants at Charminster and Forston contribute much by their exemplary conduct to the good order and efficient working of the two Institutions.

The Superior and Ordinary Attendants and Servants have discharged their duties so as to merit the approval of the Visitors and the Medical Superintendent.

They have continued through the year with very few changes, to the advantage the Visitors believe of the inmates, and to the comfort certainly of those who have the oversight of them.

The Rev. W. Evans, the Chaplain of the Asylums, gave notice to the Visitors, on the 23rd of July, of his intention to resign his office in November. Applications in answer to advertisement were received from eleven Clergymen, and after full enquiry the Rev. William Johnson, who had been for several years Chaplain of Brislington House Asylum, near Bristol, and whose testimonials were of a most satisfactory character, was appointed. He will enter on his duties toward the end of January next.

The Visitors take this opportunity of expressing their regret at the retirement of Mr. Evans, whose diligence and zeal in the discharge of his office has always been much valued by them.

The Salary of the Clerk, Mr. John Brown, has been raised from £100 to £120 per annum. He has been in the service of the County in this capacity for about 46 years, and his accounts have always been models of accuracy and completeness.

The Salary of Mrs. Keegan, Assistant-Matron, has been raised after $2\frac{1}{4}$ years of good Service, from £30 to £40 a year.

The usual Gratuities of £100 to the Medical Superintendent and of £35 to the Clerk, were awarded in recompense of their services relating to the Out-County and Non-Pauper Patients.

The attention of the Visitors was directed by the Commissioners in Lunacy, at their visit in June last, to the imperfect state of the provision against fire. With a view to remedy this defect, the Visitors called in the assistance of the Chief Engineer at the Hanwell Asylum, and in pursuance mainly of his advice, a powerful engine with all necessary hose and apparatus, has been purchased of Messrs. Merryweather, of Long Acre, and two additional water-tanks have been constructed. The cost of the former has been £214 12s., and of the tanks £174 10s. This expenditure has been provided for from the Non-Pauper Surplus Account.

In the Minute of their visit the Commissioners also express their regret that no steps had been taken to bring the Epileptic Patients together into dormitories for more effectual night supervision. This subject has been repeatedly under the consideration of the Visitors and they have laid before the Commissioners a statement of the reasons which lead them to prefer, as at present advised, the existing system of distribution through the various wards of both Asylums with hourly night inspection, to the proposed arrangement of concentration. They have at the same time expressed their desire to watch attentively the results in those Asylums, were the suggested alterations have been made, and to reconsider their present opinions in relation to such new evidence as may be thus afforded.

The Commissioners also record their opinion that the attendance at Divine Service of an average of 156 Patients, and the return of about 206 Patients as employed in various ways in the two Asylums is inadequate, and that more satisfactory results might be obtained. In other respects as regards the food, clothing, bedding, and accommodation, the Commissioners express themselves well satisfied, as well as with the general good management of the Asylums.

The Loan Account for building and furnishing the New Asylum is as follows :—

	£	s.	d.
Amount received from the Sun Fire Office	41000	0	0
	£	s.	d.
Amount paid off from } County Rates ... }	17900	0	0
Ditto from Surplus Fund, } Lunatic Asylum ... }	11600	0	0
	<hr/>	29500	0 0
Remaining due ...		<hr/> £11500	<hr/> 0 0

Of this sum of £11,500 there is £4,800 due to Sun Fire Office, and £6,700 due to the Police Superannuation Fund.

JOHN FLOYER,

Chairman.

R E P O R T
OF THE
COMMISSIONERS IN LUNACY,

MAY 26th, 1879.

In these Asylums are now 452 Pauper cases—viz., 304 at Charminster, 147 at Forston; the Men at the former are 137, at the latter, 59; one Patient, a Female, is away on trial; all the rest we have seen, and to many we have spoken. Besides the above Paupers there are 27 Private Patients, of whom 17 are Men; 3 Patients only of this class are at Forston. The Paupers include 31 from Portsea, 36 chargeable to Southampton, and a few from Poole. The Maintenance Rates for Private Patients range from 10s. to 12s. weekly; the rest—viz., the Paupers, are received from Dorsetshire Unions at 8s. 2d., from other places up to 12s. 6d. weekly. Since our Colleagues visit in June last, the Admissions have been 30 of Male, 29 of Female Paupers, and 7 of the Private Class; the Discharges have been 42 of Paupers, 16 of which left the Male division, and 3 of Private cases, all Men. The recorded Recoveries were 29 Paupers, and 3 other Patients. Again we have to notice a low rate of Mortality; 33 Paupers, 10 of whom were Women, and one Male of the Private class have died. For the interval between the last and this visit of the Commissioners, the rate has been as low as $6\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. on the daily average number of Patients in residence here. The general health is now good, and very few of either sex were in bed during our inspection. There have been no grave accidents, nor has any Inquest been held, neither has any epidemic broken out in the Asylum during the past 12 months. The deaths have been due, it seems, to natural causes; however, we regret that the post-mortem examinations have been only 6, because they are valuable

as a check upon ill-treatment by Attendants, and have more than once revealed fractures not discovered in the Patients life-time.

The Asylums are respectively nearly full, but the withdrawal of the Portsea cases, and, possibly those of Southampton, when the new Asylum at Portsmouth shall have been opened, will create many vacancies for men and women.

We are glad to say that some provision has been made against an outbreak of fire at Charminster, by the building of two larger tanks for water, and the purchase of a London fire-brigade engine, with hose; but mineral oil in place of gas is still in use at Forston. The substitution of boarded floors for tiles appears to be at a standstill, the airing courts are as they were in 1878; the epileptic and suicidal cases are yet without that continuous supervision at night which we believe to be so necessary, and the Male Patients have only one clean shirt for day and night wear per week, these are the existing salient defects in the Institution, to which we should add, the absence of any effectual check against neglect in visiting on the part of the night-watch, the peg-clocks being placed out of the dormitories, and in the dining rooms or passages, where they can be of little, if any use. On the other hand, the improvements progress, which have been noticed in earlier reports. The wards are far more cheerful than they were, by the introduction of color, and some ordinary comforts; the beds and bedding were throughout, as far as we examined them, clean and proper (tho' here and there the flock requires teasing, and the tickings should be better filled) and the general ventilation is very good, faulty only in some closets, which we believe could be obviated easily by the insertion into the drains outside, of perpendicular pipes to carry off the sewage gases. The Chapel has been improved in each Asylum, by introduction of wall-texts and cushions, but the attendance is still small, 116 last Sunday at Charminster. Entertainments continue as heretofore reported, they have been latterly more frequent than formerly at Forston.

Walking weekly beyond the grounds is limited to about 40 Men and 60 Women. Mr. Symes informs us that it is difficult to say how many Patients are always confined to the airing courts, but he thinks about 50 of each sex. The great majority of the Men have Sunday suits. Usefully employed are 36 Male Patients on the land, 19 as artisans, and the laundry finds work for 34 Females, the kitchen 8, 36 other Women assist with their needles in making and mending clothes. The attendants are 16 Men and 12 Women, (assisted, the first by the artisans, the last by laundrymaids), exclusive of a night-watch of each sex. No Male attendant is under 21 years of age, three or four Women are as young as that. Below 12 months service are 2 Males and 3 Females, however, 21 of both sexes are of older standing than 2 years. No one has been dismissed during the past year for ill-treatment of a Patient, and the only complaint made to us to day against an attendant was clearly groundless, the Patient being contradicted by his fellow Patients present at the time of the alleged assault. We found no person in seclusion or restraint, and each division was remarkably quiet and orderly. Many usefully employed, and very few complaining. We saw dinner in some of the wards, and the food was a liberal supply, and wholesome—there has been no change in the dietary. The bathing arrangements are good, but in one bath room at Forston, bathing rules are not hung up as they should be. Twenty-three Male and 28 Female Patients are registered as taking medicine.

We recommend that small cupboards should be provided, under lock and key in each ward for medicine bottles. In No. 5, Male Ward, we noticed they were on a shelf, in a closet which contained numerous sundries in a very untidy state—the same practice is tolerated, we hear, in the other wards.

According to the Medical records, seclusion has been resorted to since the Commissioners last visit with 11 Patients, (of whom 2 only were Women, and 6 were epileptics), for periods varying

from 2 to 13 days—together, 61 days—the assigned reason being maniacal violence. Three Patients, of whom one only was a Woman, were restrained for the same cause, the Men for 2 or 3 days, the Female for a week. Judging by the demeanour of the Patients, and the general condition of the Asylum, the rule of the Superintendent is wise and kindly.

There are, as we have noticed, some defects which it has been our duty to point out, and these no doubt will be rectified, but on the whole, the report we wish to make is favorable.

CHARLES PALMER PHILLIPS,	} Commissioners
ROBERT NAIRNE,		in Lunacy.

☞ The Commissioners in Lunacy having paid their Annual Visit just as this Report was being Printed, it was thought best to add their remarks at once.

J. G. S.

REPORT

OF THE

COMMISSIONERS IN LUNACY,

JUNE 4th, 1878.

Since the Commissioners' inspection of these Asylums on the 27th and 28th of April, 1877, the changes among the Patients, which we proceed to mention, have taken place :—

					Male.	Fem.	Total.
There have been admitted	...	...	...	...	30	54	84
Discharged	...	...	...	...	15	26	41
Died	...	...	...	...	19	17	36

The recorded Recoveries among the discharged Patients have been of 10 men and 21 women; and five of each sex are entered as “relieved” or “not improved.”

The rate of Mortality among the Patients during the interval under consideration has been less than seven per cent. per annum on the average daily number, which is fully two per cent. below the usual rate in County Asylums, and the registered causes of death with one exception have been of the character commonly found in these Institutions. There has, however, been one death of an epileptic patient from suffocation at night while in a fit, no Attendant being present at the time. An Inquest was held on the body of this patient, the verdict of the Jury being “Death from Asphyxia.” No other casualty has occurred or inquest been held. In seven cases post-mortem examinations have been made, a smaller proportion than we should have wished to record.

The numbers on the books to-day are Males 224 and Females 269; but in these are included 1 patient of each sex absent on trial; and 3 Female Idiots removed to Starcross Idiot Asylum, who ought properly to be entered as discharged and withdrawn from the numbers on the books of these Asylums.

The Patients now resident are therefore 223 Males and 265 Females, making a total of 488, who are thus distributed :—at Charminster, 165 Males and 176 Females, total 341 ; and at Forston, 58 Males and 89 Females, total 147 ; making the grand total as above, 488.

There are at present 23 Private or Non-Pauper Patients, of whom, 16 are of the male, and 7 of the female sex ; and the chargeability of the Pauper Patients is as follows :—

	Male.	Fem.	Total.
To Dorsetshire Unions and County of Dorset ...	174	198	372
„ Southampton	16	22	38
„ Portsea Union	12	30	42
„ Poole	5	8	13

The Weekly Maintenance Charges for County and Out-County Patients are the same as reported in the last entry, namely—8s. 2d. for the former, and 14s. for the latter.

The vacant beds in the two Asylums at this date are 9 on the male, and 3 on the female sides.

The bodily health of the Patients is at present very good. We found in both Asylums only 1 man and 4 women in bed ; and there are under Medical treatment only 24 males and 22 females.

No one was under mechanical restraint or in seclusion at the time of our visit, but in the Medical Journal we find it recorded that since the last visit, 1 woman has had her hands restrained on four occasions for a total duration of eight hours, owing to violence and destructiveness ; and that 8 men and 7 women have been secluded,—the men for an aggregate of 33 days, or portions of days. Five of the men and 1 of the women were Epileptics.

We regret that we cannot report as formerly of the mental condition or prospects of recovery of the Patients. The majority appear to be permanently and hopelessly insane. They are, however, very quiet and orderly, and we found a very small proportion noisy or excited during our inspection of the Wards. In clothing and person they were generally clean and tidy ; and we are glad

to observe an improvement in the fit and appearance of the men's clothes,—a matter which was unfavourably noticed in the last report. The men, however, are still restricted to one day shirt in the week, and have no night shirt. We have had the opportunity both to-day and yesterday of seeing and tasting the dinner served to the Patients at Charminster, that of yesterday consisted of stewed beef with potatoes and suet pudding, and of to-day, of boiled beef, potatoes and cabbage, with, on both days, half a pint of beer for each person. The meat was good, and the ration sufficient, and we had no complaints of the food or of the treatment. There were of course numerous complaints of detention and appeals for discharge, but in all cases, groundless.

We find that the number attending Divine Service on Sundays average, at Charminster, 59 males and 58 females, and at Forston, 20 of the former and 19 of the latter sex, making a total of 156.

The numbers usefully employed of the Patients resident in both Asylums are—of men, on the land, 41 ; in shops and assisting tradesmen, 21 ; and as ward helpers, 33—total, 95 ; and of women, at needlework and knitting, 49 ; laundry work, 34 ; and in wards, kitchen, and offices, 34—total, 117 ; giving a total of both sexes of 216 so employed.

The numbers given under both the foregoing heads bear, we think, an inadequate proportion to total number of Patients under treatment, and making every allowance for the chronic condition of insanity into which so many of these have fallen, we are still of opinion that more satisfactory results might be obtained, both as regards attendance at chapel and employment.

About 160 or 170 Patients of both sexes attend the associated amusements in the Recreation Hall, which are given about once a fortnight.

Walking exercise beyond the grounds is not yet sufficiently frequent, and we desire to repeat the recommendation on this subject made in the last entry. If, as is alleged public objection

is made to taking the Patients out for walks in the roads, the difficulty which this interferes might to a considerable extent be overcome by the construction of a walk round the boundary of the estate, which would at all times be available for affording the patients that healthful exercise which strolling about the airing courts cannot supply.

The Epileptic Patients at both Asylums are at present 34 males and 19 females, 38 of both sexes being at Charminster, and 15 at Forston.

Nothing has been done to carry out the repeated recommendation of the Commissioners to bring this class of patients together at night in dormitories and single rooms specially arranged for continuous supervision of the patients by attendants having no other duty. Such a system of night supervision for the epileptic and more suicidal cases, is now very generally established in County Asylums, and is found to be the only effectual means of guarding against fatal casualties.

The death from suffocation in a fit which has occurred here, as already mentioned, would probably have been prevented had the system recommended been in operation. We see no insuperable structural difficulty in the way of a fairly good arrangement being made at Charminster, and at a small cost ; and we feel sure that the Committee will see the necessity of the early adoption of a plan by which these Patients shall be duly attended to during the night, and preventible deaths among them be averted.

We found the wards throughout both Asylums in a clean and creditable state, and the beds and bedding in excellent order. No offensive odour was perceptible, except in some of the water closets in which increased means of ventilation, by larger openings near the ceiling, as already suggested, are necessary. Much painting and colouring has been done, and increased cheerfulness has resulted from recent improvements. At Forston, especially, this is the case ; and we hope shortly to be able to report that the one

female corridor there, and the sixteen bedrooms which are all that remain with the old tiled floors, have had wood laid down instead. We also hope that the suggestion made at the last visit, of removing the wall between the two female airing courts, will be adopted; and that in the airing courts at both Asylums, a few forest trees may be planted for shade, and some flower beds introduced.

Making enquiry as to the means available for extinguishing fire, we learnt that at Charminster there are internal hydrants with hose within the building, in connection with the central water cistern; with that there are no external hydrants, and no present means of throwing water on to the roof. Provision for this could we think be made at a moderate cost by laying down a main externally round the building, with hydrants at proper intervals, and connecting the main with the steam pump. We recommend this matter to the early consideration of the Visitors.

Forston is believed to be fire-proof as regards the ground floor, but means for extinguishing fire in the roof on the first floor are altogether wanting.

The lighting of Forston with gas instead of as at present with mineral oil lamps, is also a subject deserving the Visitors' attention.

Although there are many points in which improvement is necessary and possible, we gladly give credit for much that has already been effected, and for the general good management of these Asylums.

C. S. BAGOT,	} Commissioners
JOHN D. CLEATON,	
	in Lunacy.

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

To the Visitors of the Dorset County Asylum.

GENTLEMEN,

In laying before you my last Annual Report, I beg to state that during the past year, the services in each Chapel of the Asylums have been duly performed—viz., two on Sundays and two on week-days, besides the usual services on Christmas, Good-Friday, and Ascension-Days, and daily morning prayer at Forston.

The number of Patients attending the services has varied but little, although I am glad to be able to report an improvement during the past few years. Their attention to the services, and the hearty manner in which they join in the responses and music at all times has been remarkably praiseworthy.

I have held Sacred singing classes at Charminster and Forston Asylums on Wednesday and Thursday evenings in each week, and it gives me much pleasure to say that, considering our singing is in every sense of the word congregational, it is everything that can be desired. It often grieves me to think that the termination of my connection with my choirs is so near at hand. Our chief thanks for such an improvement in the musical part of our services are due to the Visitors, for kindly furnishing the Chapel at Charminster with an Organ, which has proved of invaluable assistance.

At Forston, having presided at the harmonium myself for the past seven years, I feel it my duty as well as pleasure to thank the Choir at that branch of the Institution for their attention to the practices.

The Holy Sacrament has been administered on the first Sunday in each month, as usual. The offertory has been handed over to the Medical Superintendent for the Charity Fund.

I have regularly visited the wards and have invariably met with much comfort from the Patients and every attention from the Attendants. I only pray that my work has been productive of some good.

The wards have been supplied with newspapers, but with regard to books, I am sorry to say that our small library is in a dilapidated state. The way in which the books have been destroyed by some of the patients has been a subject of discussion between Mr. Symes and myself, which resulted in our having the periodicals stitched in card-board and distributed through the wards, which perhaps is a good plan and much more economical.

The number of Burials at the Cemetery during the past year has been 17 ; since its consecration, 72.

I now beg to offer you my most sincere thanks for your kindness to me at all times, and to say that it is with no little amount of sorrow that I am now about to sever my connection with you as one of your Officers, to enter upon another sphere of duty.

I beg to remain, Gentlemen,

Your faithful Servant,

WILLIAM EVANS.

FORSTON, Dec. 24, 1878.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT.

To the Chairman and Visitors of the Dorset County Asylums.

In submitting to you another Annual Report, I can do little more than call your attention to the various Statistical Tables appended, showing as they do the working of the Asylum in all its various branches ; indeed, the routine work has been so uniform, and the changes so few, that it is a somewhat difficult task to comment on those matters which have so often been remarked upon in previous Reports.

On the 1st of January, 1878, there were in the two Asylums 490 Patients, of whom, 210 males and 257 females, were Paupers, and Out-County Patients, and 15 males and 8 females Non-Paupers.

The Admissions were 71—27 Males, and 44 Females ; and, judging from the last few years, I think we may fairly assume that this number is in excess of what may reasonably be expected from our own County. The general character of those received were, as heretofore, certainly not improved ; and it is lamentable to know, that very many are removed here only to be nursed till death call them. No less than 11 were nearly 60 years of age, 8 between 60 and 70, 5 between 70 and 80, and 2 over 80. Can it then be wondered at if the death-rate be increased ? The Mortality this year has been $7\frac{3}{4}$ per cent, which is the highest we have had since 1864, when it was 9.7. The general average of all County Asylums would be rather over 10 per cent, therefore our own is yet below.

We had more re-admissions this year than for many years past, but no special cause can be assigned ; yet I cannot help believing that there is a growing dislike amongst relatives and friends to receive those connected with them from the Asylum, and I am not sure this is at all surprising, because every one must know that for a long time considerable care and attention is necessary for Patients when discharged, and relatives having their daily bread to win are hardly able to lose time for other purposes ; in such cases properly administered relief will do much, preventing immediate care, anxiety, and want, and thus materially tending to prevent relapses.

There were no sudden deaths, no serious accidents, and no inquest has been held during the past year.

The Discharges have been nearly the same as in years past. Two Patients, one of each sex, were sent to Broadmoor Criminal Asylum, under an Order from the Secretary of State, and one transferred to the County Asylum for Somerset.

In the Report for 1877 (page 10) is mentioned the case of a *Criminal Patient* who escaped from here, his wife having brought his clothes concealed under her own. Nothing has ever been heard of this man, but the woman re-appearing at Weymouth after being away for twelve months, a warrant was issued and she was apprehended. Her trial came on at the Sessions in October, and after long and exhaustive arguments she was convicted, a short sentence of imprisonment only being given, believing the fact of the conviction, thus solemnly recorded for this offence, would act as a sufficient warning to others.

The general business and routine of the Asylums have been much the same, calling for no special remarks.

The Maintenance Rate varies but little from what it has been for some years past, it would doubtless be lower were it not that having two Asylums our necessary expenses are considerably increased compared to what they would be if all our Patients and

Staff were located in one instead of two Asylums. We have been enabled to lessen this extra cost by the surplus funds derived from the Out-County Patients. Many of these will be removed to their own County in the course of the year, and should we not fill up the vacancies, I fear our weekly rate must of necessity be much increased ; but when we remember the fact that from this Fund we have paid off no less a sum than £11,600 due for the building this New Asylum, besides paying for many and great alterations and additions, it must be a source of considerable pleasure to those (the Committee of Visitors) who order and direct the affairs of these Institutions, and also a very great relief to the Ratepayers of the County ; and should no more Out-County Patients be obtainable, the debt remaining on the Asylum being now only £11,500, the pressure on those who pay the rates will be small indeed in comparison of what they must have been had not the amounts above given been earned and spent for the County.

The means of extinguishing fire here has been always a source of great anxiety—our storage of water being limited, the distance from the river so great, and the Asylum over three miles from Dorchester, where the nearest fire-engine could be had,—all tended to increase this anxiety should such a fearful calamity as a fire of any magnitude come upon us ; happily we are now much more at ease on this point. A new and powerful engine has been purchased of Merryweather and Sons, with all necessary hose, &c., &c., capable of deluging any part of our Asylum with water, now readily obtainable from two tanks, recently built by Guy and Son, of Dorchester, and each capable of holding about 8,000 gallons. One tank is in the working men's ward, and the other in the laundry ground, from which sites hose can be easily passed into all parts of the building ; these tanks are always full, being supplied by rain water, and none ever drawn away. In addition a connection is made with our present steam pumps, so that a large stream could be pumped into each or both tanks

to aid the supply as long as the fire lasts. We are now also able to supply any other engine that may come to us, should we ever be in distress enough to require its services.

The advantage of having such an engine always on the spot is very materially enhanced when we consider that our Old Asylum at Forston—still farther from the town—is much more at the mercy of a fire than we have been, but now a very short time would suffice for us to run down there should the necessity occur, and the water supply being all around the Asylum, and always in abundance, it is to be earnestly hoped that no great or permanent damage could occur,—certainly not if willing hands and hearts can prevent.

The various amusements and occupations, too, remain without much change. The same kind and *gratuitous* supply of papers have been regularly forwarded, and as usual afforded much interest to all—my best thanks are due for them.

Our Chaplain resigned his office in September and has gone to a different sphere of labor in Wales, and I am quite sure we all join in wishing him great success. The Rev. William Johnston, from Portadown, Ireland, was appointed in the place of Mr. Evans.

My two valued Medical Assistants still remain here, and with pleasure I record the fact that very much of the good working of the Institutions and the happy results therefrom is honestly due to them.

Comparatively few changes have taken place amongst our Attendants, Nurses, and Servants; the great majority remain in their different situations as in last Report.

Again, I would desire very sincerely to offer you my best thanks for all your great kindness, sympathy, and advice,—cheering me in duty and urging me still more to strive and prove myself worthy of your continued confidence.

With sincere respect,

I am,

Your faithful and obliged Servant,

J. GUSTAVUS SYMES,

Medical Superintendent.

STATISTICAL TABLES—1878.

TABLE I.—ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, AND DEATHS, DURING THE YEAR 1878.

						Male.	Female.	Total.
In Asylums, January 1st, 1878						210	257	467
Admissions :								
From this County, first time						21	28	49
,, ,, re-admitted						6	12	18
,, Portsmouth .. ..						..	4	4
Total admissions						27	44	71
Total under care during the year						237	301	538
Discharged or removed :								
Recovered						6	20	26
Relieved						6	7	13
Not Improved						1	1	2
						13	28	41
Died						20	18	38
Total discharged and died during the year						33	46	79
Remaining in Asylums, Dec. 31st, 1878 ..						204	255	459
Average number resident during the year ..						230	271	501

TABLE II.—SHOWING THE ADMISSIONS, RE-ADMISSIONS, AND DISCHARGES, FROM THE OPENING OF THE ASYLUM TO THE PRESENT DATE, 31ST DEC., 1878.

				Male.	Female.	Total.
Admitted from 1832 to end of 1845 (including re-admissions)				218	283	501
Admitted from 1845 to Dec. 31, 1878 :						
	Male.	Fem.	Total.			
First time	927	987	1914			
Re-admissions ..	159	198	357	1086	1185	2271
Total of cases admitted				1304	1468	2772
Discharged :						
To end of 1845 ..	105	130	235			
Died	63	69	132			
	168	199	367			
Discharged to end of 1878 :						
Recovered ..	348	466	814			
Relieved ..	135	147	282			
Not improved ..	82	72	154			
	565	685	1250			
Died to end of 1878	367	329	696			
	932	1014	1946			
Total Discharged and Died				1100	1213	2313
Remaining in the Asylums, Dec. 31, 1878				204	255	459

TABLE III.—SUMMARY OF THE TOTAL ADMISSIONS FROM THE OPENING OF THE ASYLUM IN 1832 TO END OF 1845.

	Male.	Female.	Total.
Percentage of cases Discharged, including the Recovered, Relieved, and not Improved	48.16	45.93	46.96
Percentage of cases Died	28.89	24.38	26.34
Remaining	22.95	29.69	26.70
Totals	100.00	100.00	100.00

SUMMARY OF TOTAL ADMISSIONS, 1846 TO 1878 INCLUSIVE.

	Male.	Female.	Total.
Percentage of cases Recovered	32.4	39.9	35.8
„ Relieved	12.4	12.4	12.4
„ Not improved	7.5	6.0	6.8
„ Died	33.7	27.7	30.6
„ Remaining	14.0	14.0	14.4
Totals	100.0	100.0	100.0

YEARS.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.									Died.			Remaining 31st December, each year.			Average Number Resident.			Percentage of Recoveries on Admission.			Percentage of Recoveries on Admission from our own County.			Percentage of Deaths on Average Number Resident.			YEARS.	
				Rocovered.			Relieved.			Not Improved.																						
	M.	F.	TOT.	M.	F.	TOT.	M.	F.	TOT.	M.	F.	TOT.	M.	F.	TOT.	M.	F.	TOT.	M.	F.	TOT.	M.	F.	TOT.	M.	F.	TOT.	M.	F.	TOT.		
1846	29	27	56	8	6	14	1	...	1	1	...	1	9	17	26	62	86	148	59	83	142	27.5	22.2	28.4	...	...	...	15.	2.4	8.8	1846
1847	24	20	44	9	14	23	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	9	21	66	83	149	64	89	153	37.5	70.	53.7	...	...	...	18.7	10.1	14.4	1847
1848	18	30	48	13	15	28	2	...	2	...	8	8	5	7	12	64	83	147	64	87	151	72.2	50.	61.1	...	...	...	7.1	8.	7.5	1848
1849	21	23	44	6	11	17	1	...	1	...	...	...	11	7	18	67	88	155	66	87	153	28.5	47.8	38.1	...	...	...	9.	8.	8.5	1849
1850	23	28	51	15	13	28	...	2	2	...	...	...	7	6	13	68	95	163	70	90	160	65.2	46.4	55.8	...	...	...	10.	6.6	8.3	1850
1851	19	16	35	4	9	13	...	...	...	4	6	10	10	9	19	68	88	156	69	90	159	21.	56.2	38.6	...	...	...	14.4	10.	12.2	1851
1852	23	22	45	8	6	14	...	...	...	9	9	18	4	3	7	67	87	154	67	89	156	38.	35.2	36.6	...	...	...	5.9	3.3	4.6	1852
1853	22	14	36	3	4	7	...	...	...	5	5	10	3	8	11	71	82	153	72	82	154	20.	33.3	26.6	...	...	...	4.1	9.7	6.9	1853
1854	23	17	40	12	8	20	...	...	...	5	...	5	6	9	15	70	83	153	70	80	150	51.	50.9	50.9	...	...	...	8.5	11.5	10.	1854
1855	23	24	47	11	11	22	3	8	11	6	2	8	7	4	11	66	82	148	68	80	148	47.8	45.8	46.8	...	...	...	10.2	5.	7.6	1855
1856	26	38	64	14	17	31	4	3	7	3	6	9	4	11	15	67	83	150	70	85	155	53.8	44.7	49.2	...	...	...	4.9	11.9	8.9	1856
1857	23	28	51	10	13	23	1	3	4	...	...	...	8	7	15	71	88	159	70	86	156	43.4	46.4	44.9	...	...	...	11.4	8.1	9.7	1857
1858	20	32	52	12	18	30	...	...	...	4	6	10	3	7	10	72	89	161	70	88	158	60.	56.2	58.1	...	...	...	4.2	7.9	6.	1858
1859	15	24	39	5	17	22	...	2	2	...	...	...	5	3	8	77	91	168	76	89	165	33.3	70.8	52.	...	...	...	6.5	3.3	4.9	1859
1860	25	29	54	9	13	22	2	...	2	...	8	8	3	6	9	88	93	181	83	88	171	36.	44.8	40.4	...	...	...	3.6	6.8	5.2	1860
1861	22	24	46	9	15	24	1	3	4	...	...	...	7	5	12	93	94	187	91	93	184	40.9	62.5	51.7	...	..	...	7.6	5.3	6.4	1861
1862	17	17	34	5	12	17	2	2	4	...	...	...	3	8	11	100	89	189	94	93	187	29.4	70.5	49.9	...	...	...	3.1	8.6	5.8	1862
1863	44	76	120	10	10	20	2	3	5	...	...	...	4	5	9	128	147	275	102	98	200	22.7	13.1	17.9	47.6	32.2	39.9	3.9	5.1	4.5	1863
1864	34	26	60	10	16	26	2	6	8	...	...	...	16	11	27	134	140	274	130	148	278	29.4	61.5	45.4	...	...	...	12.3	7.3	9.7	1864
1865	106	73	179	11	17	28	3	6	9	...	...	...	11	8	19	215	182	397	178	164	342	10.3	23.2	16.7	37.6	41.4	39.5	6.1	4.8	5.4	1865
1866	40	63	103	9	12	21	7	6	13	...	...	...	11	13	24	228	214	442	233	201	434	22.5	19.	20.7	32.1	36.3	34.2	4.7	6.4	5.5	1866
1867	37	28	65	11	17	28	4	3	7	...	...	...	20	15	35	230	237	467	232	209	441	29.7	60.7	45.2	...	...	...	8.6	7.1	7.8	1867
1868	23	53	76	13	14	27	2	1	3	...	...	...	13	12	25	225	233	458	241	231	472	56.5	26.4	41.4	56.5	45.1	50.8	5.4	5.1	5.2	1868
1869	34	42	76	16	13	29	3	1	4	1	...	1	16	19	35	223	242	465	236	246	482	47.	30.9	38.9	53.3	34.2	43.7	6.7	7.7	7.2	1869	
1870	98	75	173	13	14	27	45	43	88	6	3	9	19	18	37	238	239	477	242	248	490	13.2	18.9	16.	28.2	58.3	43.2	7.8	7.2	7.5	1870	
1871	53	49	102	15	16	31	9	1	10	30	...	30	19	11	30	218	260	478	240	262	502	28.3	32.6	30.4	46.8	55.1	50.9	7.9	4.2	6.1	1871	
1872	35	61	96	19	19	38	7	22	29	1	10	11	18	13	31	208	257	465	226	263	489	54.2	31.1	42.6	70.8	48.6	59.7	7.9	4.2	6.1	1872	
1873	39	35	74	18	19	37	3	2	5	1	...	1	22	20	42	203	251	454	224	268	492	46.5	54.8	50.6	50.	48.3	49.1	9.8	7.4	8.5	1873	
1874	36	35	71	11	22	33	6	2	8	...	...	...	11	11	22	211	251	462	240	262	502	30.5	62.8	46.6	33.3	66.6	49.9	4.58	4.19	4.38	1874
1875	37	35	72	13	16	29	4	2	6	...	...	...	17	15	32	214	253	467	225	267	492	35.14	45.72	40.28	34.28	42.86	38.9	7.59	5.72	6.58	1875
1876	41	40	81	16	19	35	5	3	8	...	...	...	20	9	29	213	262	475	230	270	500	39.02	47.5	43.2	37.83	52.77	45.2	8.69	3.33	5.8	1876
1877	39	44	83	10	19	29	10	16	26	5	8	13	17	6	23	210	257	467	230	271	501	25.	43.10	34.93	26.31	46.34	36.32	7.39	2.58	4.79	1877	
1878	27	44	71	6	20	26	6	7	13	1	1	2	20	18	38	204	255	459	221	268	489	22.22	45.4	36.61	22.23	50.	38.8	9.04	6.71	7.77	1878	
Totals and mean Averages of 35 Years.	1095	1192	2287	354	465	819	135	147	282	82	72	154	361	330	691																	



TABLE V.—NON-PAUPER LUNATICS.

					Male.	Female.	Total.
In the Asylums January 1st, 1878 ..					15	8	23
Admitted during the Year					4	3	7
Discharged :					19	11	30
		Male.	Fem.	Total			
Recovered ..	..	..	..	..
Relieved ..	..	3	2	5			
Died .. ..	..	1	..	1	4	2	6
In the Asylums, Dec. 31, 1878 ..					15	9	24

All belonging to Dorsetshire.

TABLE VI.—SHOWING THE HISTORY OF THE ANNUAL ADMISSIONS, BEGINNING WITH
AND THE NUMBER OF EACH Y

YEARS	ADMITTED.					Of each Year's Admissions, Discharged, and Died in 1878.										
	New Cases.		Relapsed Cases.			Recovered.			Relieved.			Not Improved.			Died.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	TOT.	M.	F.	TOT.	M.	F.	TOT.	M.	F.	TOT.	M.	F.
Between 1837 and end of 1863						...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	3
1864	30	24	4	2	60	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...
1865	103	70	3	3	179	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1866	33	54	7	9	103	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
1867	29	25	8	3	65	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
1868	16	47	7	6	76	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1869	30	34	4	8	76	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...
1870	90	71	8	4	173	...	2	2	1	2	3	...	...	...	...	1
1871	48	43	5	6	102	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	2
1872	35	53	...	8	96	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1873	36	28	3	7	74	...	..	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...
1874	31	28	5	7	71	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	..	...	2
1875	26	30	10	5	71	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
1876	37	33	4	7	81	1	3	4	2	2	4	...	...	...	...	2
1877	32	37	7	7	83	3	6	9	1	...	1	1	1	2	5	4
1878	21	32	6	12	71	2	7	9	2	1	3	...	...	...	7	4
	576	577	75	82	1310	6	20	26	6	7	13	1	1	2	20	18

1864, WHEN THE NEW ASYLUM WAS OPENED WITH THE DISCHARGES AND DEATHS,
 REMAINING ON THE 31ST DECEMBER.

Total Discharges and Died of each Year's Admissions, to December, 31, 1878.											Remaining of each Year's Admissions, Dec. 31, 1878.			YEARS.
Recovered.		Relieved.			Not Improved.			Died.			Remaining			
F.	TOT.	M.	F.	TOT.	M.	F.	TOT.	M.	F.	TOT.	M.	F.	TOT.	
1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	3	4	...	...	...
Patients admitted from 1837 to end of 1863, now remain											45	54	99	
7	15	2	4	6	...	...	...	17	8	25	7	7	14	1864
22	37	44	24	68	22	2	24	18	17	35	7	8	15	1865
23	33	9	19	28	5	7	12	13	10	23	3	4	7	1866
7	23	3	3	6	...	1	1	9	12	21	9	5	14	1867
14	24	2	22	24	...	1	1	5	7	12	6	9	15	1868
15	31	4	6	10	3	1	4	9	12	21	2	8	10	1869
17	39	16	6	22	10	7	17	33	20	53	17	25	42	1870
18	36	6	6	12	1	1	2	18	11	29	10	13	23	1871
21	36	3	8	11	...	...	...	10	12	22	7	20	27	1872
18	28	6	3	9	1	..	1	11	5	16	11	9	20	1873
13	22	5	2	7	...	1	1	9	6	15	13	13	26	1874
18	28	1	2	3	...	...	...	11	4	15	14	11	25	1875
19	30	5	5	10	...	...	...	6	4	10	19	12	31	1876
12	21	2	1	3	1	1	2	9	5	14	18	25	43	1877
7	9	2	1	3	...	...	...	7	4	11	16	32	48	1878
232	413	111	112	223	43	22	65	186	140	326	204	255	459	

TABLE VII.—SHOWING THE CAUSES OF DEATH DURING THE YEAR.

	Males.	Fem.	Total.
<i>Cerebral or Spinal Diseases :—</i>			
Chronic Brain Disease	1	2	3
Epilepsy and Exhaustion after Fits	2	2	4
Maniacal and Melancholic Exhaustion	2	1	3
General Paralysis	3	2	5
Paralysis and Apoplexy	2	0	2
<i>Thoracic Diseases :—</i>			
Aneurism (Aortic)	0	1	1
Chronic Bronchitis	1	0	1
Heart Disease	1	1	2
Heart Disease and Dropsy	0	1	1
Pulmonary Consumption	2	2	4
<i>Abdominal Diseases :—</i>			
Enteritis	1	0	1
Peritonitis	0	1	1
Taber Mesenterica	0	1	1
<i>General Diseases :—</i>			
Cancer of Breast and Stomach	0	2	2
Disease of Hip Joint	1	0	1
General Debility and Decay	3	1	4
Senile Decay and Gangrene of Foot and Leg	1	1	2
Total	20	18	38

Average Age at Death—Males, 54 ; Females, 51.

TABLE VIII.—SHOWING THE LENGTH OF RESIDENCE IN THOSE DISCHARGED, RECOVERED, AND IN THOSE WHO HAVE DIED DURING THE YEAR.

Length of Residence.	Recovered.			Died.		
	Males.	Fem.	Total.	Males.	Fem.	Total.
Under 1 Month	0	0	0	0	1	1
From 1 to 3 Months	0	0	0	6	2	8
„ 3 „ 6 „	2	2	4	1	1	2
„ 6 „ 9 „	0	4	4	1	3	4
„ 9 „ 12 „	0	5	5	1	1	2
„ 1 „ 2 Years	4	4	8	3	2	5
„ 2 „ 3 „	0	1	1	0	0	0
„ 3 „ 5 „	0	1	1	1	2	3
„ 5 „ 7 „	0	0	0	1	0	1
„ 7 „ 10 „	0	3	3	4	3	7
„ 10 „ 12 „	0	0	0	1	0	1
Upwards of 12 „	0	0	0	1	3	4
Total	6	20	26	20	18	38

TABLE IX.—SHOWING THE DURATION OF THE DISORDERS ON THE ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, AND DEATHS DURING THE YEAR.

CLASS.	Duration of Disease on Admission in Four Classes.											
	On Admission.			Recovered.			Removed, Relieved or otherwise.			Died.		
<i>First Class :—</i>	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.
First Attack, and within three months, on admission } <i>Second Class :—</i>	10	18	28	2	1	11	3	2	5	9	10	19
First Attack, above three and within twelve months, on admission } <i>Third Class :—</i>	7	7	14	0	3	3	0	2	2	6	1	7
Not First Attack, and within twelve months, on admission } <i>Fourth Class :—</i>	9	13	22	3	5	8	3	2	5	4	4	8
First Attack, or not, but of more than twelve months, on admission }	1	6	7	1	3	4	1	2	3	1	3	4
Total ...	27	44	71	6	20	26	7	8	15	20	18	38

TABLE X.—SHOWING THE AGES OF THE ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, AND DEATHS, DURING THE YEAR.

AGES.					Admissions			The Discharges.									{Died.		
								Recovered.			Removed, Relieved, or otherwise.								
From	5	to	10	Years ...	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.			
					...			...			0	1	1			...
„	10	„	15	„	1	1	2	...			...					...
„	15	„	20	„	1	4	5	1	2	3	...			0	1	1			
„	20	„	30	„	3	4	7	1	3	4	1	1	2	1	1	2			
„	30	„	40	„	4	9	13	0	5	5	1	3	4	3	2	5			
„	40	„	50	„	8	10	18	2	5	7	0	1	1	5	3	8			
„	50	„	60	„	4	7	11	2	3	5	1	1	2	4	8	12			
„	60	„	70	„	4	4	8	0	2	2	3	1	4	3	0	3			
„	70	„	80	„	1	4	5	...			1	0	1	2	1	3			
„	80	„	90	„	1	1	2	...			...			2	2	4
Total ...					27	44	71	6	20	26	7	8	15	20	18	38			

TABLE XI.—CONDITION AS TO MARRIAGE IN THE ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, AND DEATHS DURING THE YEAR.

Condition in Reference to Marriage.	Admissions			The Discharges.						The Deaths.		
				Recovered.			Removed, Relieved, or otherwise.					
	M.	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.	M	F.	T.	M.	F.	T.
Single ...	10	22	32	3	7	10	2	3	5	7	7	14
Married ...	12	18	30	2	10	12	4	3	7	12	8	20
Widowed ...	5	4	9	1	3	4	1	2	3	1	3	4
Total ...	27	44	71	6	20	26	7	8	15	20	18	38

TABLE XII.—SHOWING THE PROBABLE CAUSES, APPARENT OR ASSIGNED, OF THE DISORDER IN THE ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, AND DEATHS, DURING THE YEAR.

Causes.	Admissions.			The Discharges.						The Deaths.		
				Recovered.			Removed, Relieved, or otherwise.					
	M	F.	T	M.	F	T.	M	F.	T.	M.	F	T.
<i>Moral:—</i>												
Adverse Circumstances	1	2	3	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	...	...
Business Anxiety ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	1
Domestic Trouble ...	...	3	3	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	1	2
Fright ...	...	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Grief ...	1	2	3	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	1	1
Love Affairs ...	...	2	2	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Religious Excitement...	3	2	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
<i>Physical:—</i>												
Childbirth ...	...	2	2	...	2	2	...	1	1	...	...	...
Congenital Defect ...	1	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Diseased Brain ...	1	1	2	...	...	...	1	1	2	3	1	4
Epilepsy ...	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	2	3
Fevers ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	1	1
Hereditary ...	4	6	10	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	3	4
Ill-Health ...	...	1	1	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	1	1
Injury to Head ...	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...
Intemperance and Dissipation }	7	4	11	3	3	6	...	...	...	1	1	2
Lactation ..	...	1	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Masturbation ...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Old Age ...	2	2	4	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	1	2
Overwork ...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Paralysis ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2
Pregnancy ...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Previous Attacks ...	...	4	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Spinal Affection ...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sunstroke ...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Unknown ...	2	8	10	1	6	7	...	3	3	8	4	12
Total ...	27	44	71	6	20	26	7	8	15	20	18	38

Admission Book.	Age at Death and Civil State.	Sex.	Length of Time Insane on Admission.	Duration in Asylum.	Assigned Cause of Insanity.	Form of Mental Disorder.
2653	29 years, Single	Male ...	Y. M. D. 0 0 21	Y. M. D. 0 10 12	Epilepsy ...	Mania—Epilepsy.
2659	42 " Widow	Female ...	0 0 7	0 10 3	Grief—Domestic troubles	Melancholia.
2643	32 " Married	Male ...	0 6 0	1 1 15	Poverty—Ill-health	Mania—Delusions.
2699	21 " Married	Female ...	0 1 21	0 6 17	Childbirth ...	Mania—Puerperal.
2624	16 " Single	Female ...	0 5 0	1 5 4	Not known ...	Mania—Hysteria.
2587	63 " Widow	Female ...	0 1 0	1 10 19	Fright ...	Mania—Great General Depression.
2716	24 " Single	Female ...	2 6 0	0 4 20	Not stated ...	Mania—Homicidal.
2069	38 " Widow	Female ...	0 6 0	7 6 9	Anxiety and Grief	Mania.
2692	46 " Married	Female ...	...	0 9 20	Not known ...	Mania—Delusions.
2632	67 " Married	Male ...	0 1 0	1 6 9	Brain Disease	Dementia.
2647	34 " Married	Female ...	0 1 14	1 4 6	Childbirth ...	Mania—Puerperal.
2584	44 " Married	Female ...	0 0 7	2 0 29	Not stated ...	Mania.
2628	8 " Single	Female ...	0 4 0	1 7 25	Hereditary ...	Mania.
2745	60 " Single	Male ...	0 0 7	0 2 14	Hereditary ...	Mania—Delusions.
2656	18 " Single	Male ...	0 0 7	1 4 11	General Dissipation	Mania—Delusions.
2626	53 " Married	Male ...	0 0 14	1 9 0	Intemperance, &c.	Mania—Suicidal.
1696	35 " Married	Female ...	0 2 0	12 0 21	Fever, after Confinement	Mania. [lysis
2722	50 " Married	Female ...	5 0 0	0 6 23	Hereditary ...	Mania—Incipient General Para-
2173	34 " Single	Female ...	0 1 0	7 2 0	Not known ...	Mania—with much depression
2687	37 " Single	Female ...	0 0 14	1 1 5	Poverty—Prostitution	Mania—Delusions.
2741	48 " Married	Female ...	0 0 7	0 4 11	Death of Father	Melancholia—Suicidal.
2734	67 " Married	Female ...	0 0 7	0 5 10	Poverty—Ill-health	Mania—Recurrent.
2563	46 " Single	Female ...	0 0 4	2 7 11	General Bad Health	Mania—Suicidal.
2733	75 " Widower	Male ...	0 0 3	0 6 5	Poverty—Old age	Dementia.
2700	47 " Married	Male ...	0 1 14	1 0 23	Not stated ...	Melancholia.
2753	49 " Single	Male ...	0 2 0	0 3 20	Intemperance, &c.	Mania.
2039	51 " Married	Male ...	5 0 0	7 11 22	Injury to Head	Mania—Epilepsy.
2613	63 " Married	Male ...	0 0 3	2 1 11	Grief at Business Losses	Melancholia.
2051	51 " Married	Female ...	3 0 0	7 11 23	Not known ...	Mania—Chronic.
2053	61 " Widow	Female ...	1 6 0	7 11 23	Not known ...	Mania—Chronic.
2070	56 " Widow	Female ...	0 4 0	7 11 23	Not known ...	Mania—Delusions.
2507	28 " Married	Female ...	0 2 14	3 5 1	General Ill-health	Melancholia—Suicidal.
2719	27 " Single	Female ...	0 0 7	0 10 25	Grief at being Pregnant	Melancholia.
2762	52 " Widower	Male ...	0 0 7	0 3 14	Intemperance	Mania.
2749	34 " Single	Female ...	4 0 0	0 6 10	Intemperance, &c.	Mania.
2717	22 " Single	Male ...	4 0 0	0 11 16	Disappointed in Love	Melancholia.
2729	17 " Single	Female ...	0 0 14	0 9 23	Not stated ...	Mania—Recent.
2747	44 " Married	Female ...	0 0 21	0 6 17	Over Lactation	Mania—Great depression.
2732	34 " Married	Female ...	0 2 0	0 9 12	Intemperance	Mania—Threatened Paralysis.
2477	39 " Married	Female ...	0 3 0	4 1 7	Rheumatic Fever	Mania.
2773	53 " Single	Female ...	0 3 0	0 3 13	Softening of Brain	Mania—Suicidal.

TABLE XIV.—OBITUARY.

No. in Admis- tion Book.	Age at Death and Civil State.	Sex.	Duration of Residence in Asylum.	Form of Mental Disease and Bodily Condition on Admission.	Apparent Cause of Death.
			Y. M. D.		
2682	50 years, Widow	Female	0 6 1	Mania—Much depression—Very emaciated	Mania—Peritonitis—Exhaustion.
2713	51 " Married	Male	0 1 20	Mania—Partial Paralysis—Weak and worn	Mania—Epilepsy—Serious Effusion.
2642	48 " Single	Female	1 0 14	Mania—Weak, helpless, and partially paralysed	Mania—General Paralysis.
2683	54 " Single	Female	0 7 4	Dementia—General Paralysis	General Paralysis—Exhaustion.
2045	58 " Single	Female	7 4 16	Mania—Epilepsy—Health fair	Epilepsy—General Decay.
2704	23 " Married	Female	0 5 21	Melancholia—Weak, chlorotic, and out of health	Mania—Exhaustion.
1100	42 " Single	Male	19 7 5	Melancholia—Weak, only one eye	Disease of Hip Joint.
1171	82 " Widow	Female	17 9 1	Mania—Delusions—Moderately good	Cancer of Stomach and Liver.
2725	81 " Married	Female	0 1 23	Senile Dementia—Weak and feeble	Senile Dementia—Gangrene of Foot.
2605	53 " Married	Female	1 7 21	Chronic Mania—Health good	Rupture of Aortic Aneurism.
2728	37 " Single	Male	0 2 1	Mania—Recent—Weak and out of condition	General Paralysis
2658	26 " Single	Male	1 0 26	Mania—Fair state	Phthisis
1785	71 " Single	Male	10 9 12	Mania—Moderately good	Mania—Exhaustion.
2422	34 " Single	Female	4 2 12	Idiotcy—Fair condition	Tabes Mesenterica.
2631	53 " Married	Female	1 5 8	Mania—Fair, but much bruised	General Paralysis.
1927	82 " Widower	Male	9 10 7	Dementia—Fairly well	Gangrene of Foot and Leg—Exhaustion.
2153	32 " Single	Female	7 2 7	Mania—Epilepsy—Good health	Epilepsy.
868	58 " Widow	Female	24 3 12	Mania—Moderately good	Disease of Brain.
2726	45 " Married	Male	0 4 0	Mania—General Paralysis—Very bad health	General Paralysis—Apoplexy.
2437	58 " Married	Female	4 1 22	Mania—Fair condition	Rupture of Heart.
2663	68 " Married	Male	1 2 0	Dementia—Very weak and feeble	Paralysis—General Decay.
2709	36 " Married	Male	0 7 28	Mania—General Paralysis—Very weak, &c.	General Paralysis—Exhaustion.
2740	50 " Married	Male	0 2 14	Mania—Great Depression—Extremely thin and weak	Mania—Exhaustion.
2748	50 " Married	Female	0 2 18	Melancholia — Suicidal — Very weak and	Heart Disease—Dropsy.
2157	56 " Widow	Female	7 4 29	Mania—Fair health	Cancer Mamme—Exhaustion.
1059	46 " Single	Female	20 9 21	Mania—Hysteria—Tolerably well	Phthisis Pulmonalis.
2227	51 " Single	Male	6 9 20	Mania—Epilepsy—Weak, paralysis of right side	Phthisis Pulmonalis.
2186	31 " Single	Male	7 1 17	Mania—Good health	Serous Apoplexy.
2778	67 " Married	Male	0 1 15	Mania—Great Depression—Ill-nourished and very thin	Heart Disease—General Decay.
1897	69 " Married	Male	9 9 21	Melancholia—Fractured Arm—Weak	Bronchitis—General Decay.
2771	43 " Married	Male	0 2 10	Melancholia—Moderately good, but weak	Enteritis.
2727	49 " Married	Male	0 9 11	Mania—Epilepsy—Fairly good	Epilepsy.
2502	79 " Married	Male	3 7 6	Mania—Much depression—Weak, thin, and feeble	General Decay.
2177	58 " Single	Male	7 5 4	Mania—Very weak—Left arm paralysed	Mania—Bronchitis.
2724	19 " Single	Female	0 10 16	Melancholia—Extremely weak and exhausted	Phthisis Pulmonalis.
2718	58 " Married	Male	1 0 1	Mania—Fairly good	General Paralysis—Epilepsy.
2786	80 " Married	Male	0 1 4	Senile Dementia—Weak, feeble, and helpless	Natural Decay.
2788	70 " Married	Female	0 0 19	Senile Dementia—Extremely weak and feeble	Natural Decay.

TABLE XV.—THE AGES OF THOSE WHO DIED DURING THE LAST TEN YEARS.

YEARS.	From 10 years to 20 years.	From 20 years to 30 years.	From 30 years to 40 years.	From 40 years to 50 years.	From 50 years to 60 years.	From 60 years to 70 years.	From 70 years to 80 years.	From 80 years to 90 years.	From 90 years and upwards.	TOTAL.
1869	2	1	6	6	4	4	8	3	1	35
1870	1	1	7	6	9	6	5	2	..	37
1871	1	2	7	7	3	5	4	1	..	30
1872	2	4	7	6	5	3	4	..	..	31
1873	..	2	7	6	10	9	5	3	..	42
1874	...	1	7	5	2	3	3	1	..	22
1875	2	1	5	8	3	8	4	1	..	32
1876	..	1	4	7	2	10	5	..	..	29
1877	...	...	7	5	1	7	2	1	...	23
1878	1	2	5	7	13	3	3	4	...	38
	9	15	62	63	52	58	43	16	1	319

TABLE XVI.—THE OCCUPATION.

Males.				Females.			
Blacksmith ..	...	1		Wives, Daughters, or			
Bricklayer ..	.	1		Widows of—			
Brickmaker ..	..	1		Carpenter ...	...	1	
Coachbuilder ..	..	1		Labourers ..	...	11	
Dairyman ..	..	1		Publican ..	...	1	
Engineer ..	..	1		Prison Warder	...	1	
Excise Officer ..	..	1		Quarrymen ..	...	2	
Hawker ..	..	1		Sailor ...	...	1	
Labourers ..	..	13		Sawyer ..	...	1	
Mason ..	..	1		Shoemaker ..	...	1	
None ..	..	2					
Sweep ..	..	1		Charwomen ...	..	2	
Tailor ..	..	1		Dressmakers ...	...	4	
Thatcher ..	..	1		Glover ..	...	1	
				Flax Spinners ..	...	2	
				Housekeeper ..	...	1	
				Linen Weaver	...	1	
				Milliner ..	...	1	
				Needlewoman ..	...	1	
				None ..	...	5	
				Servants ..	...	6	
				Tailoress ..	...	1	
Total ..	..	27		Total ..	...	44	

TABLE XVII.—NUMBER OF LUNATICS, IDIOTS, AND IMBECILES CHARGEABLE TO THE DIFFERENT UNIONS OF THE COUNTY, NOT IN ANY ASYLUM ON JANUARY 1ST, 1879.

UNIONS.	No. of Lunatics.	No. of Idiots.	No. of Imbeciles
Axminster .. .. .	..	6	..
Beaminster	1	9	6
Blandford	11	6	..
Bridport	6	1	..
Cerne .. .. .	...	4	3
Dorchester .. .. .	..	5	2
Mere	1	5	..
Poole (including the Borough of Poole) ..	1	26	..
Shaftesbury .. .. .	...	11	..
Sherborne .. .. .	...	6	3
Sturminster .. .. .	..	4	..
Wareham .. .. .	..	17	..
Weymouth	1	22
Wimborne	3	..
Wincanton	2	..
	20	106	36

Lunatics	20
Idiots	106
Imbeciles	36
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	162

TABLE XVIII.—GENERAL NUMBER OF FEMALE PATIENTS EMPLOYED DAILY.

Nature of Employment.	No.
In the House	3
„ Kitchen	8
„ Laundry	38
„ Wards	52
Needlework	58
Knitting, &c.	3
Plaiting Straw, Hat and Bonnet Making	1
Shoe Binding	4
Total	167

TABLE XIX.—THE AMOUNT OF WORK DONE BY THE FEMALE PATIENTS
DURING THE YEAR 1878.

Articles.	Made.	Repaired.	In Store.	Yards.
Aprons	355	1158	77	98
Ditto—coarse	90	50	46	62
Bed Ticks	24	51	21	...
Bonnets—sun	30	27	28	110
Blankets .....	...	464	101	...
Caps—day	108	1569	70	...
Capes .....	...	10	7	...
Calico .....	...	...	...	330
Dusters	120	...	100	...
Drawers—flannel	66	78	28	...
Gowns	95	1207	15	720
Ditto—night	20	159	16	...
Handkerchiefs	174	73	150	...
House Flannels	300	...	..	...
Matrass Cases	56	257	32	...
Muslin—check .....	...	...	..	44
Ditto—jacconot .....	...	...	...	23
Neckerchiefs	298	1047	358	60
Pillow Cases	78	482	58	45
Ditto Ticks ...	56	123	33	109
Petticoats—stuff	75	770	30	...
Ditto—flannel	64	450	19	75
Rugs .....	...	192	168	...
Shawls .....	...	30	48	...
Shifts	220	1716	188	...
Shirts	242	1506	170	109
Sheets	198	926	90	63
Sheets—canvas	18	11	9	100
Slop Frocks ...	64	180	36	40
Stays ...	43	128	18	67
Stockings—pairs	51	7634	318	...
Table Cloths	17	86	6	86
Tea ditto	70	20	76	...
Towels	157	31	78	104
Twine Nets	40	...	15	...
Vests—flannel	152	712	79	...
Bread Bags	19	41	8	...

TABLE XX.—GENERAL NUMBER OF MALE PATIENTS EMPLOYED DAILY.

Nature of Employment.						No.
On the Farm	..	..	..	..	..	58
In the Kitchen	...	..	..	...	...	3
„ Tailors' Shop	..	..	..	...	..	3
„ Shoemakers' Ditto	..	...	..	...	...	9
„ Painters' Ditto	..	..	..	..	..	4
„ Carpenter's Ditto	..	..	..	..	..	4
„ Engineers' Department	..	..	..	...	...	4
„ Wards and Airing Courts, Picking Flock, &c.	..	..	..	..	..	24
„ Roads and Gardens	..	..	..	..	...	9
Total	.	..	..	..	..	118

TABLE XXI.—BOOTS AND SHOES MADE AND REPAIRED BY THE MALE PATIENTS.

1878.				Boots and Shoes.	
				Made.	Repaired.
First Quarter	...	...	...	64	183
Second Quarter	...	...	...	79	214
Third Quarter	...	...	...	83	234
Fourth Quarter	...	...	...	72	234
				298	865

IN STOCK.

117 Pairs.

TAILORS' SHOP.

Jackets made	73	Repaired	531	In Stock	64
Waistcoats „	131	„	293	„	37
Trousers „	98	„	834	„	68
Caps „	96	„	...	„	12

1878.—January 1st.				1878.			
Live Stock—				Cash received—			
20 Cows	}	...	Poultry	For Barley	...	£	s. d.
3 Calves				Skins and Bones	...	36	17 0
1 Bull					...	14	3 4
107 Pigs					...		
1 Horse	}	...	Poultry	Supplied Asylum from the Farm with (estimated value)—		51	0 4
Dead Stock, Hay, &c....				Milk and Butter	...	326	1 10
				Eggs and Poultry	...	37	10 0
				Vegetables	...	262	19 6
	}	...	Poultry	Fruit	...	12	0 0
				Beef, Veal, Pork, &c., 17,184 lbs. at 7d.	501	4 0	
				Live Stock—		1139	15 4
				21 Cows			
	}	...	Poultry	2 Calves			
				1 Bull	503	0 0	
				114 Pigs			
				1 Horse			
	}	...	Poultry	Dead Stock, Implements, Hay, &c.	170	0 0	
					673	0 0	
	}	...	Poultry			£1863	15 0
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FAT STOCK ACCOUNT.

STOCK PURCHASED.				ACTUAL COST.		WEIGHT IN CARCASE.
				£	s. d.	lbs.
1878.			Beasts.			
First Quarter ...	...	...	15	481	12 6	15,118
Second Quarter ...	...	...	14	542	8 0	15,000
Third Quarter ...	...	...	17	560	15 0	14,698
Fourth Quarter ...	...	...	20	494	17 6	16,794
Total	...	...	66	2079	13 0	61,610

Cash paid for Corn and Cake ...	...	...	£	s. d.	Not quite 8½d. per lb.
Ditto for Sundries, Driving, &c.	...	...	13	0 0	
Estimated Value of Hay consumed ...	...	...	2	10 0	
	...	...	15	0 0	
			30 10 0		
			2110 3 0		
Cash received for Skins and Bones ...	...	...	92 17 10		
			2017 5 2		just over 7¾d. per lb.
			203 5 4		
Fifth Quarter.—Fat, Heads, &c., estimated as worth ...			£1813 19 10 = 7 1-16 per lb.		

DIETARY.

BREAKFAST .	{	<i>Males</i> —6ozs. bread, 1 quart gruel. <i>Females</i> —5ozs. bread, 1½ pint gruel.	}	Daily.
SUPPER	{	<i>Males</i> —8ozs. bread, 2ozs. cheese, or ½oz. butter; beer, ½ pint; or, 1 pint tea, or coffee. <i>Females</i> —6ozs. bread. 2ozs. cheese, or ½oz. butter; 1 pint tea or coffee.	}	Daily.
DINNER	{	SUNDAY—16 to 18ozs. suet pudding, with treacle sauce, and the addition of fruit in summer, and dried fruit in winter— <i>Males and Females</i> . MONDAY—3ozs. meat, vegetables not less than 1lb.— <i>Males and Females</i> . TUESDAY—5ozs. meat, vegetables as on Monday. WEDNESDAY—2 pints soup 2ozs. meat, 5ozs. bread— <i>Males</i> ; 1½ pint soup. 4ozs. bread— <i>Females</i> . THURSDAY—Meat pie, 12ozs.— <i>Males</i> ; 10ozs.— <i>Females</i> . Vegetables as on Monday. FRIDAY—5ozs. meat, vegetables as on Monday. SATURDAY—As on Monday.	}	

Half-pint of ale daily for dinner, except on *Wednesday*, both *Males* and *Females*.

Women working in laundry have tea and bread and butter twice a day extra on three washing days, and once a day on three ironing days; also bread and cheese and ½ pint of ale for lunch.

Women scrubbing in wards have bread and cheese daily for lunch, with ½-pint of ale. Men the same.

Men working in the shops or on the farm have ½-pint ale extra at eleven and four o'clock.

Sick Diet as considered necessary by the Medical Superintendent.

Tobacco and Snuff distributed as directed.

Attendants and Nurses are all allowed 7lbs. bread, ½lb. butter, 2½ ozs. tea, and 8ozs. sugar—in addition they dine in the Servants' Hall, without restriction as to quantity of meat, vegetables, &c.; and for supper bread and cheese *ad libitum*. *Males*—2 pints ale. *Females*—1 pint daily.

N.B.—“All meat is weighed after being cooked, and free from bone.”

The Milk Gruel is made with best oatmeal and milk. Meat Pie contains 3ozs. of meat without bone. Soup is made from liquor of boiled meat, thickened with Pearl Barley, Rice, Pea Meal, to which are added Vegetables, Herbs, &c. Fish for Dinuer once a-fortnight.

FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS.

1878.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT OF THE RECEIPTS &

		THE MAINTENANCE					
Dr.		RECEIPTS.					
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Balance in hand 31st December, 1877 ...					1151	18	2
RECEIVED FROM INTEREST ON MONIES INVESTED :							
To One Year's Interest on £4,500, £3 per Cent.							
Consols					135	0	0
,, Amount received from Unions for Pauper Patients		7640	17	3			
,, Ditto from County Treasurer for Ditto ...		82	0	8			
					7722	17	11
,, Amount received from the Non-Pauper and Out-County Pauper Patients for their Maintenance, according to Weekly Rate ...					2355	5	11
From Charity Account—the extra charge for the Three Idiots at Starcross					4	7	9
,, Amount received of Chard Union—Cost of Maintenance and Transfer of a Patient to Wells					5	18	10
,, Amount received of County Treasurer on account of a Criminal Patient					1	4	11
,, Cash received for Coffins					5	5	0

£ 11,381 18 6

PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1878.

ACCOUNT.

CR.					PAYMENTS.					
SALARIES AND WAGES :—					£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Officers' Salaries	...	...	...	...	1057	10	0			
Servants' Wages	...	...	...	...	1491	6	5			
					<hr/>			2548	16	5
PROVISIONS :—										
61,610 lbs. Meat	...	...	...	...	1986	15	2			
186,882 lbs. Bread	...	...	...	...	1006	15	5			
16,664 lbs. Flour	...	...	...	...	158	4	0			
2,691 lbs. Rice	...	...	...	...	20	15	6			
13,888 lbs. Oatmeal	...	...	...	...	111	11	0			
2,558 lbs. Butter	...	...	...	...	175	16	1			
22,654 lbs. Cheese	...	...	...	...	358	2	7			
391 lbs. Tobacco and Snuff	...	...	...	...	73	10	5			
994 lbs. Lump Sugar	...	...	...	...	16	0	5			
5,806 lbs. Moist Ditto	...	...	...	...	64	0	3			
3,429 lbs. Tea and Coffee	...	...	...	...	215	13	0			
Vinegar, Salt, Mustard, Spices, Currants, Raisins, and miscellaneous Grocery	...	...	...	...	86	10	6			
Potatoes	...	...	...	...	45	19	6			
17,576 gals. Ale	...	...	...	...	527	7	6			
Paid to Farm Account for Provisions supplied	...	...	...	...	281	8	1			
Fish for Patients and House	...	...	...	...	42	10	0			
					<hr/>			5170	19	5
SURGERY AND DISPENSARY :—										
Wine and Spirits	46	11	7			
Drugs, Surgery, &c.	90	19	5			
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NECESSARIES :—										
18,944 lbs. Soap and Soda	126	11	11			
502 lbs. Starch and Blue	9	3	8			
591 lbs. Candles	20	2	2			
975 tons 6 cwt. Coals	...	...	...	...	890	12	1			
Blacking and miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	20	8	2			
					<hr/>			1066	18	0
Straw	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	50	0	0
Brooms, Brushes, and Cooperage	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	40	17	3
Linen and Clothing	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	450	12	4
Bed Furniture and Bedding	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	158	0	9
Tin, Earthenware, Ironmongery, and Iron Materials	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	167	13	1
Printing, Stationery, Advertisements, Postages, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	103	13	9
Furniture	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	150	12	6
Removing Patients when discharged...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	14	3
Coffins and Funerals	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	19	6
Recapturing of Patients	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	11	0
Private Letter Bag and Postman	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	0
Sundry Travelling expenses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10	12	10
Organist	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	0	0
Musical Instruction and Entertainments for Patients	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	17	6

MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT—*continued.*

	£	s.	d.
Amount brought forward ...	11,381	18	6

£ 11,381	18	6
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THE MEAT

DR.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
To Cash from Maintenance Account to buy Fat Stock ...	1986	15	2
„ Cash received for Skins ...	89	17	10
„ Ditto for Bones ...	3	0	0
	£ 2079	13	0

THE FARM

DR.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
To Cash received from Maintenance Account ...	281	8	1
„ Ditto for Skins ...	11	5	10
„ Ditto for Bones ...	2	17	6
„ Ditto for Barley ...	36	17	0
	£ 332	8	5

MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT—*continued*.

NECESSARIES :—

	£	s.	d.
Winding and Repairing Clocks	13	1	0
Rates, Taxes, and Tithes	39	11	3
Rent of Land at Forston (less Property-Tax)	19	15	0
Fire Insurance, Charminster Asylum	17	9	9
Ditto of Steam Boilers	8	5	0
Sundry Materials for Repairs	51	15	10
Western Counties Idiot Asylum, for 3 Idiots	35	2	0
William Dawe, half-year's Rent of Cottage	5	0	0
Sundry Carriage	16	5	7
Sundry Payments	28	0	11
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	10389	18	11
Balance in Maintenance Account	991	19	7
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	£ 11,381	18	6
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ACCOUNT.

CR.

PAYMENTS.

	£	s.	d.
By Cash paid for Fat Stock	2079	13	0
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	£ 2079	13	0
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CASH ACCOUNT.

CR.

PAYMENTS.

	£	s.	d.
By Cash paid for Seeds and Manure	14	14	9
„ Ditto for Barleymeal, Corn, and Straw	209	14	0
„ Ditto for Sundries	107	19	8
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	£ 332	8	5
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THE NON-PAUPER AND OUT-COUNTY

DR.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
To Balance in Treasurer's hands 31st December, 1877				530	3	1
„ Cash received from Non-Pauper Patients ...	640	10	0			
„ Ditto for Pauper Patients from other Counties and Boroughs	3397	13	0			
	<hr/>			4038	3	0

£ 4568 6 1

THE BUILDING

DR.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
To Balance in hand 31st December, 1877	132	3	3
„ Cash from the Non-Pauper and Out-County Patients' Account	900	0	0

£ 1032 3 3

THE CHARITY

DR.

RECEIPTS.

	£	s.	d.
To Balance in Savings Bank 31st December, 1877	387	11	4
„ One year's Interest	11	7	2
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	£ 398 18 6		
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PAUPER PATIENTS' ACCOUNT.

CR.	PAYMENTS.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Cash paid to Maintenance Account					2355	5	11
„ Coffins and Funerals		1	4	0			
„ Conveying Patients Home on Discharge ...		5	7	0			
„ The Superintendent—a Gratuity for extra duties relative to the Non-Pauper and Out-County Patients		100	0	0			
„ The Clerk, ditto		35	0	0			
„ Cash refunded on Discharges and Deaths of Non-Pauper Patients from Monies received in advance		19	0	2			
„ County Treasurer, in further reduction of the Loan		800	0	0			
					960	11	2
„ Cash paid to Building Account					900	0	0
					4215	17	1
Balance in hand					352	9	0
					£ 4568	6	1

ACCOUNT.

CR.	PAYMENTS.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
By Samuel Cooper, balance of Contract for building the Head Attendant's Cottage		210	0	0			
„ Samuel Cooper, for New Roof to Porch at Forston Asylum, and resetting Retorts, &c., at the Gas House, and Cementing outer Walls of the Lodge		63	0	9			
„ G. J. G. Gregory, for Sand, Cement, and Timber		106	3	10			
„ Messrs. Crocker & Co., for Iron Fencing and Repairs to Drying Closet, &c.		39	1	7			
„ Robert Hazel, for Iron Fencing		90	16	0			
„ Messrs. Merreweather and Son for new Fire Engine and Apparatus		214	12	0			
„ H. Martin, Esq., Civil Engineer, for attending at Asylum and advising as to the best plan for extinguishing Fire		15	15	0			
„ Messrs. Guy and Son, in part-payment of their Contract for building two new Water Tanks		160	0	0			
„ Ditto for Fire Bricks		1	5	9			
					900	14	11
Balance in hand					131	8	4
					£ 1032	3	3

ACCOUNT—1878.

CR.	PAYMENTS.	£	s.	d.
By Paid towards Maintenance of 3 Idiot Girls at Starcross Asylum		4	7	9
„ Balance in Savings Bank 31st December, 1878		394	10	9
		£ 398	18	6

SUMMARY OF THE RECEIPTS AND

Dr.	RECEIPTS.	£ s. d.			£ s. d.		
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Balances in hand, 31st December, 1877, viz. :							
In Maintenance Account ...	...	1151	18	2			
,, Non-Pauper Account ...	...	530	3	1			
,, Building Account ...	...	132	3	3			
		<hr/>			1814	4	6
,, Savings Bank on Charity Account ...					387	11	4
To Dividends on	ditto ...	11	7	2			
,, Ditto on £4,500 Consols—Browne's Benefac-							
tion Account ..	...	135	0	0			
,, Cash received from Unions for Dorset Patients		7640	17	3			
,, Ditto from County Treasurer ditto ...	...	82	0	8			
,, Ditto from Charity Account, towards the costs							
of the 3 Idiot Girls at Starcross ..	...	4	7	9			
,, Ditto for Out-County Pauper Patients ...		3397	13	0			
,, Ditto for Non-Pauper Patients ...	...	640	10	0			
,, Ditto for Coffins ...	...	5	5	0			
,, Ditto of Chard Union, cost of maintenance and							
transfer of a Patient to Wells ...	...	5	18	10			
,, Ditto of County Treasurer, cost of maintenance							
of a Criminal Lunatic	1	4	11			
		<hr/>			11924	4	7

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PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR 1878.

CR.				PAYMENTS.				£ s. d.			£ s. d.		
By Cash paid Salaries	1057	10	0					
Wages	1491	6	5					
Provisions	5170	19	5					
Wine and Spirits	46	11	7					
Drugs and Dispensary	90	19	5					
Necessaries—Fuel, Light, and Washing	1066	18	0					
Brooms and Cooperage	40	17	3					
Linen and Clothing	450	12	4					
Bed Furniture and Bedding	158	0	9					
Straw	50	0	0					
Ironmongery, Tin, and Earthenware	167	13	1					
Printing, Stationery, Postages, &c.	103	13	9					
Furniture and sundry Bills	150	12	6					
Expenses removing Patients when discharged	17	14	3					
Coffins and Funerals	11	19	6					
Recapturing of Patients	5	11	0					
Letter Bag and Carrier	3	3	0					
Sundry Travelling expenses on hire of Attendants, &c.	10	12	10					
Organist	30	0	0					
Band and Entertainments for Patients	30	17	6					
Winding and repairing Clocks, &c.	13	1	0					
Rates, Taxes, and Tithes	39	11	3					
Rent of Field (less Property Tax)	19	15	0					
Fire Insurance, Charminster Asylum	25	14	9					
Sundry Materials for Repairs	51	15	10					
Western Counties Idiot Asylum, for the maintenance of 3 Idiot Girls	35	2	0					
William Dawe, half-year's rent of Cottage	5	0	0					
Sundry payments for Carriage	16	5	7					
Sundry payments	28	0	11					
Building Account	900	14	11					
Non-Pauper and Out-County Patients' Account	160	11	2					
Ditto to County Treasurer towards Loan Account	800	0	0					
Charity Account	4	7	9					
Balance in Maintenance Account	991	19	7					
„ Non-Pauper Account	352	9	0					
„ Building Account	131	8	4					
											12255	12	9
Charity Account in Savings Bank						394	10	9

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AVERAGE WEEKLY COST OF MAINTENANCE, CARE, AND
CLOTHING OF THE PATIENTS DURING THE YEAR 1878.

									s.	d.
Provisions	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	0 $\frac{3}{4}$
Clothing	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
Salaries and Wages	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	0 $\frac{1}{4}$
Necessaries (<i>e.g.</i>), Fuel, Light, Washing, &c.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	10
Surgery and Dispensary	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	0 $\frac{3}{4}$
Wine and Spirits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	0 $\frac{1}{2}$
Bedding and Furniture	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	3 $\frac{1}{2}$
Miscellaneous...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	6
Total Average Weekly Cost per head									8	2
Average Weekly Charge for Paupers from Counties and Boroughs										
to which Asylum belongs	....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	10 $\frac{1}{2}$
Ditto from other Counties and Boroughs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	0
Ditto for Private Patients	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	10s. to	13 0

DAILY AVERAGE NUMBER OF PATIENTS—489

(Signed)

JOHN BROWN,

Clerk to the Asylum and to the Visitors.